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Docket No.: 0974/1F828-US1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Jolyon JESTY and Danny BLUESTEIN

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PCT/US00/19239, filed July 14, 2000)

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The undersigned is also enclosing herewith a copy of a Search Report issued October 17, 2000 for the PCT counterpart of the present patent application (Application No. PCT/US00/19239), in which the presently disclosed references were cited. Since a translation of the Search Report is also enclosed, or the Search Report utilizes conventional codes to characterize each cited reference, it is believed that the applicants in the above-identified patent application have now met the "concise explanation" requirement of 37 C.F.R. 1.98.

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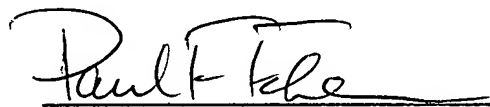
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Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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